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SUB: SOVIET EMBOFF VIEWS ON MBFR

VIENNA FOR USDEL MPT

1. SOVIET COUNSELOR GROMOUSHKIN IN RECENT CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF TOOK EXTREMELY HARD LINE ON DEADLOCK IN MPT. CLAIMING TO STATE PERSONAL VIEWS BUT OBVIOUSLY WELL BRIEFED, GROMOUSHKIN SAID IT WAS UP TO NATO TO MAKE REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION IN MPT AND MOVE TALKS FORWARD. SOVIET SIDE HAD WAITED FOR ALMOST 4 WEEKS FOR NEW WESTERN PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD TAKE ACCOUNT OF EASTERN VIEWS ON HUNGARIAN PARTICIPATION. CLAIMING " COMPLETE AGREEMENT" BY WARSAW PACT ON NEED TO KEEP HUNGARY OUT OF AREA OF REDUCTION, SOVIET EMBOFF SAID THAT NO COMPROMISE WOULD BE POSSIBLE IF IT DESIGNED TO ALTER THAT CONDITION.

2. WITHOUT ELABORATING ON MOTIVATION OF THIS POSITION, GROMOUSHKIN SAID THAT REASONS FOR EASTERN POSITION WERE
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ESSENTIALLY MILITARY WHICH SHOULD BE CLEAR TO DIPLOMATS
IN BULGARIA, IMPLYING THAT HUNGARIAN FORCES NOT DIRECTED
AGAINST CENTRAL EUROPE.
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